## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

FUNKE et al.

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For: Active Compound Combinations Having Insecticidal Properties Confirmation No.: 5037

Art Unit: 4131

Examiner: Blakely III, Nelson Clarence

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## **Reply to Restriction Requirement**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Office communication dated March 24, 2008, the Examiner states that the application is directed to patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. It is the Applicants' understanding that the Examiner has requested an election of a single disclosed composition. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the following composition represented by claims 1-4, 6 and 7.

(a) A compound of formula (I), represented by the compound I-1-4, and having the following structure:

- (b) An insecticidally active compound of group 2, chlorpyrifos; and
- (c) An insecticidally active compound of group 3, methiocarb.

This election is made without traverse. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents.

However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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